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189—19.4(533) Balloting procedures.

19.4(1) A ballot and envelope shall be included with the notice to all eligible voting members of the credit union. The ballot shall be substantially in the form specified in this rule.

- **19.4(2)** An envelope marked "BALLOT" shall be provided to all eligible voters and the voter shall sign in the appropriate location on the outside of the envelope and seal the envelope before mailing or delivering the ballot in person to the credit union office. The use of a return envelope with postage affixed is not required and the envelope shall be substantially in the form specified by this rule.
- 19.4(3) Ballots must be returned to the credit union by the date of the closing of the balloting as specified in the notice to members. Ballots hand-delivered to the credit union must be received prior to the close of normal credit union business hours of the closing date of balloting in order to be considered valid. Ballots mailed to the credit union must be postmarked no later than the closing date of balloting and received within five business days after such closing date in order to be considered valid.
- **19.4(4)** Ballots shall be delivered to the election committee in envelopes unopened. Ballots received by the election committee not in compliance with this subrule shall be considered invalid.